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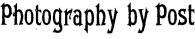


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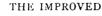
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Strange Visitor.

I have a little volume that no one e'er has read. Where is it? do you ask me? Why, somewhere in my head. There are all sorts of pictures upon its pages fair: Some have but little beauty, while some are rich and rare.

Some tell me tales of sorrow, and others make me glad. One I am going to tell you more comical than sad. Twas when I was a young wife, full thirteen years ago; And 'twas a bitter winter, long, long, had lain the snow.

We had a special mission, and to my lot it fell To entertain the preacher, I'll call him Mr. L; He was a man much sought for, folks came from far and near, So I was kept quite busy while he was staying here.

One day there came from Wakefield a man named Mr. B. He brought a little laddie whom I was pleased to see, F or I was fond of children, and felt much more at ease, I felt awkward with the men, the little child I'd please.

"Let me take your little coat, see I will hang it here,"

"Come and warm your little toes they must be cold, my dear;"

"I wonder what would please you, I have no pretty toys,"

"You see we do not need them, not having girls or boys."

"And I will sit beside you and will the stories tell."

"There! now then I must leave you and quickly get the tea,"

"Here is another nice book with pretty pictures, see'

"Come now, the tea is ready, will you sit here by me?"
"What does the little boy say? he does not want his tea!"

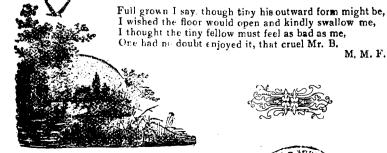
"Oh, but you must be hungry, so if no tea you'll take,"
"Have some of this, I know that most little boys like cake."

But no! he would not have it, my coaxing was in vain, So I just had to leave him to look at books again;

I thought he was a strange boy, he showed no childish glee At all the tales and pictures, and now he'd have no tea.

The tea was nicely over, and Mr. L did say, "Before we go to service we'll for a blessing pray."
We went into the next room, he offered up a prayer, And then-how can I tell you what happened next in there.

We started, for a strange voice broke out in accents bold, And with mighty eloquence its each petition told; I looked around in horror, imagine if you can My feelings now at finding that child a full grown man.





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A Refutation to Dr. Andrew Wilson's Article.

"The Old Phrenology and the New."

By Signor Crispi, F.S.Sc., Dp. U.P.S., ETC. (Continued from page 79.)

R. WILSON'S next statement is a startling one to anyone at all acquainted with to the grey matter of the brain, Dr. Wilson says-

"This grey matter is seen to exist in tolerable uniformity over large tracts of substance, and it is invariably in the hinder region of the brain that it attains its greater complexity and develope-ment."

Now, it is a well-known fact that it is in the anterior and not the posterior lobes of the brain that the greatcomplexity exists. Dr. Ferrier himself admits, that so far the facts of experiment and of disease favour the views of phrenologists, namely:—that with the developement of the anterior part of the brain there is a corresponding developement of the intellectual powers. Dr. Wilson next says—

"Since then phrenology lays so much stress on skull-formation as a clue to brain structure, it must be regarded as dealing rather with the results of the disposition of the white matter than the grey; and this latter assumption of the necessity involves a second; namely: that phrenology has no status as a science of mind at all."

I would like to contrast the status of medicine as a science, but viewing his unwarrantable assertion in the light of facts it favours considerably of begging a question and then furnishing the reply. Dr. Wilson says the form of the skull is dependent on the white matter of the brain. Where, in anatomy or physiology, is he justified in making such an erroneous statement, when it is a well-known fact that the developement of brain substance both medullary and cortical advance with each other, and it must take a tremendous amount of unscrupulous presumption to distort facts in this barefaced manner. Dr. Wilson previously himself informs us that the commencement of brain when the germ is only a small tube, "soon exhibits a division into a grey and white matter." Where, I ask, is Dr. Wilson justified in stating that skull formation is the result of the white matter of the brain? Everyone at all conversant with the knows that with the developement of both white and grey matter the bony particles begin to deposit over the whole combined structure. This fact is fatal to such an assertion as Dr. Wilson makes, that this erroneous assumption involves a second, namely: that phrenology has no status as a science of mind at all. I need not upon this point quote opinions, but refer to the testimonials of sensible men in favour of phrenology as a science of mind, to be found in various phrenological works, but will content myself with a reference to facts. Science has been defined as something which occurs with invariable law, the same law producing the same effect, (caeteris parrbus) and viewing phrenology in this scientific light it is pre-eminently the science of mind; for in no case (and I say it most emphatically) has there ever been found any person manifesting a powerful action of mind, either as a propensity, sentiment, or an intellectual faculty, but there some weight with us as phrenologists.

has also been a corresponding developement of a particular portion of brain for which the person is noted. If this is not demonstrating phrenology to be a science, is there one single case of a person in health and prime of life with any predominating faculty, and in circumstances favourable to its action they will also betray the particular action of the faculty in corresponding degree to the developement of brain constituting the organ of the faculty in question. This is the invariable law of nature. Phrenologists are proud of the fact that the same cause always produces the same effect other things being equal. For further information I refer my readers to Combe's works on phrenology.

Dr. Wilson next appears to be running short of matter, for he repeats his former statements about there being no boundary lines to the organs. For my reply I refer him to my previous remarks. He makes some slight allusion to our inability to judge the size of the organs situated on the eyebrow, in consequence of the thickness of scalp. Now, Dr. Wilson ought to know that the scalp varies very little indeed in thickness over most part of the cranium, and in places like the temples the phrenologist makes due allowance for the thickness of muscle, and in no case does the scalp covering become suddenly thick, or thin; consequently this offers no objection to the estimate of character.

pirical deductions the phrenologists have frequently localized

faculties and organs of mind upon boney surfaces separated from the brain by an intervening space of considerable kind."

He continues next-"Leaning trustfully upon their em-

Now, Dr. Wilson is either totally ignorant of the mode of procedure of Gall, Spurzheim, and Combe in establishing the phrenological organs, or he wilfully ignores their philosophical modes, or he would never indulge in the word "empirical." The founders of phrenology always depended upon the invariable connection which they found between persons of peculiar characteristics and their developement of brain, and in thus basing the science on facts of nature; and reasoning from this they have left one of the firmest and most trustworthy systems of mental philosophy extant: Let Dr. Wilson produce his facts in support of his baseless assertion.

He next displays not only his ignorance of comparative anatomy, but also his unscrupulousness in his statements of facts. He says—" Alas for phrenology! The bump of Destructiveness in the feline race resolves

itself into a mass of jaw muscles."

If Dr. Wilson has never seen a cat's skull I will send him a few, and he will soon see that the widest part is where the phrenologist locates the organ of Destructiveness. The same applies to the tiger, hyæna, and leopard. Unfortunately for Dr. Wilson, he appears totally unable to deal with the subject in a scientific manner.

He next quotes the large frontal sinuses of the elephant. But what has this to do with man? Now, Dr. Wilson never saw any person with as large frontal sinuses as the elephant, or his objection might have

He next says-" Suppose we make a cross section of a human skull, through either the right or left side of the forehead, about half an inch above the upper border of the orbit or eye cavity we may then discover that man as well as the elephant possess frontal sinuses. Now, in such a section of the human skull, what phrenological organs shall we cut through ! · Certainly, Individuality, Form, Size, and Colour.

Now in making such a section as this, Dr. Wilson again betrays his ignorance of the location of organs, for in this section it would pass between the organs named and the organs immediately above them, with the exception of Locality and Form; the first would be cut through in the lower part, and the latter organ is considerably below the section spoken of. gard to the frontal sinuses, any phrenologist worth the name is able to detect when the sinus is present, and to make due allowance. It does not occur to any great extent in the majority of skulls; seldom in females, and seldom or never before twelve years of age, and the greatest objection that can be urged is that its developement may cause the phrenologist to place too high an estimate upon a few of the Perceptive faculties, and in cases of deficiency no great mistake can be made. Those interested in the matter I refer to Combe's work, where he deals with it in a masterly manner.

Then Dr. Wilson makes a sneer about the organ of Form reposing in such an ignoble position as on the

cavity of the nose.

Why, I might as well be astonished at Dr. Wilson's nose being placed above his mouth. All the parts of the human body are worthy of our most serious consideration, and any remarks made in the spirit of Mr. Wilson are derogatory to the earnestness of a man of science.

In regard to his next statement about Mr. Stone and his facts, I have no notice of it at hand, therefore can only judge by my own experience; and so confident am I in the truth of phrenology that I can offer to go with Dr. Wilson to the Phrenological Society's Museum, and amongst the hundreds of specimens there collected challenge Dr. Wilson to point me out one antagonistic fact. I hope Dr. Wilson remembers the snubbing he got in that museum when a student.

In all cases of brutal murder there has always been In the case of Dr. found a deficient moral brain. Gregory, whom he quotes, it is quite possible he had large animal propensites, but he must have had a large coronal region as well. I do not think much reliance can be placed upon the loose way in which Dr. Wilson states his facts, and judging by what he asserts of the skull of Thurtell, the murderer, in which Destructiveness is large, and not by any means large as he intimates, in the words "without a special developement of Destructiveness," we must take his previous assertions with a degree of caution which is duly necessary from the hasty generalization with which Dr. Wilson favours us through the whole of his article. I will in the end of this refutation again allude to the Question of comparative phrenology as it is presented to us in Dr. Wilson's statements concerning Dr. Gregory versus Hare, Haggart, and others; also his statement relating (to use his own words) " to the exact methods and results arrived at" by Messrs. Flourens. Magendie, Fritsch, Hetzig, and Ferrier will claim a short reply.

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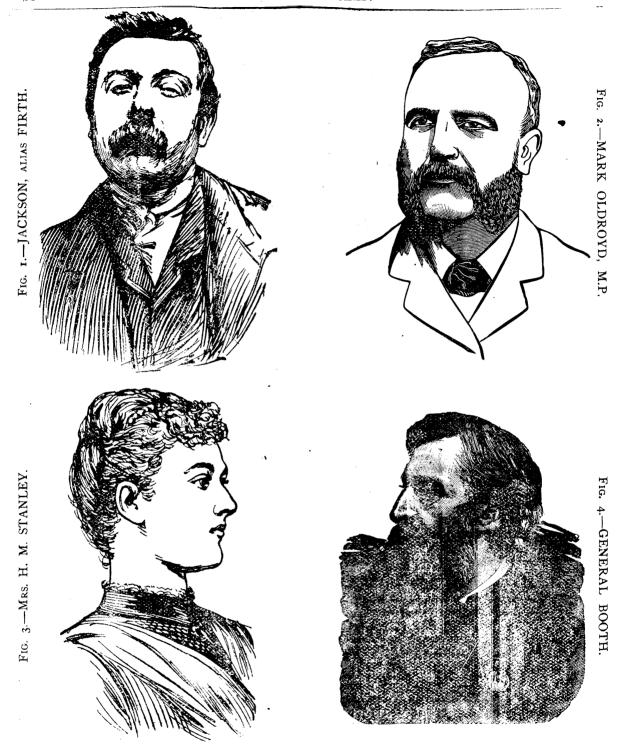
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and 8 stone in weight.

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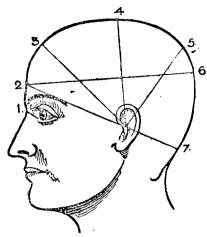
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